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In re Application of:

IGUMNOV et al.

Serial No.: 10/073,001 ✓

Group Art Unit: 1754

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Title: PROCESS FOR PREPARING NITROGEN TRIFLUORIDE

TRANSMITTAL LETTER

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Submitted herewith for filing in the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office are the following:

- 1) Transmittal Letter; and
- 2) Amendment under 37 CFR 1.312.

The Commissioner, in connection with this matter, is specifically authorized to charge any required fee deficiency to Deposit Account No. 14-0112.

Respectfully submitted,

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Sir:

Applicants respectfully submit an amendment, under 37 C.F.R. §1.312, after receipt of a Notice of Allowance and Fee(s) Due in order to insert the phrase "of appearance" into claim 3. This amendment is being filed prior to the payment of the issue fee.

The Examiner and Commissioner are respectfully requested to consider and approve the amendment as indicated in the attached claims listing.

Please amend the application as follows.